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PREFACE.

In terminating our third volume, we avail ourselves of the opportunity, to make a few observations, naturally arising out of the subject. When, on the death of the late Dr Ellis, the present editor assumed the supervision of the work, at the second number of the present volume, he was wholly unprovided with materials for its successful continuance; the industry and zeal of its promoters and friends, however, has enabled us to present to its patrons, a series of original papers alike honourable to their authors and of permanent utility to science. Most of these, it will be perceived, are of practical importance to the pharmacist; but as the plan of the Journal embraces a wider field than mere pharmacy, the Committee have been anxious to obtain communications of a more general nature; in this it will be seen that we have been partially successful, and we are in hopes, that we shall be enabled to present a succession of papers on improvements in those arts which are based on chemical processes, that will be generally useful. There is another class of communications to which we would invite the attention of those who feel an interest in the work—the Pharmaceutical Notices; practical observations of this character are admirably calculated to advance the art, and tend to obviate many of the difficulties invariably met with, especially among the younger members of the profession. We earnestly solicit a continuance of them, and would remind our brethren, that it is only by the collection of isolated facts, that the fabric of science is to be erected, and that they should not withhold, what to them may appear trivial and

commonplace details, as these very data may furnish the links that are now wanting in the chain of knowledge.

As the Journal of Pharmacy is the only publication of the kind in the United States, and is devoted exclusively to the furtherance of the pharmaceutic art, we trust that it will continue to receive such support as will enable the Committee to increase its usefulness. This, however, can only be accomplished by an extended patronage, and we would suggest to all those who feel an interest in its success, that it is by their exertions alone it can attain that rank to which it is entitled. Hitherto, most of the Original Communications have emanated from our Philadelphia brethren, but we hope that our friends at a distance will step forward and contribute their share to its further support.

We would also call the attention of our subscribers to the fact, that on a promptness in transmitting their annual payments, the existence of the Journal depends; we are sorry to say that it is only by unceasing exertions on the part of the Committee, that they are enabled to fulfil their engagements. Let it not be said that the Pharmacutists of this country felt too great an apathy, and so little zeal in their profession, as to permit the only journal devoted to the objects of their pursuits, to languish and die.

In conclusion, we would state, that some alterations in the arrangement of the articles, &c. will be made in the next volume, and from the support which has been promised, the Committee are in hopes that no delay will take place in the publication of the respective numbers; much however depends, as we have before said, on the exertions of our distant friends.

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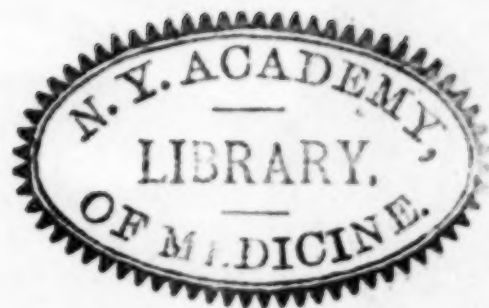


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Fig. 2.



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